

Action 10: Make EU Missions and partnerships key contributors to ERA (Partnerships)							
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1. Description	<p>As regards partnerships, the action in the ERA Policy Agenda is formulated as follows: 'Monitor the performance of partnerships and how they contribute to the new ERA and its set of values and principles (on the basis of the work of the Partnership Knowledge Hub).</p> <p>In concrete terms, two lines of interaction between the Partnership Knowledge Hub and the ERA Forum are being considered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Partnership Knowledge Hub (PKH) will be the central interaction point between the Commission, the Member States/Associated Countries and the Partnerships for producing the Biennial Monitoring Report on European Partnerships (BMR), which will monitor the performance of European Partnerships across the lifetime of Horizon Europe. The PKH will be asked to prepare an opinion on this BMR, which will be channelled to the ERA Forum for discussion and possible further follow-up, for instance towards the Council. - Through the PKH, the Commission also wants to engage in strategic discussions on key policy issues to ensure strategic steering and political guidance on the policy approach and progress of the European Partnerships. From 2023 onwards, If and when deemed relevant by the PKH, the outcome of these discussions will also be channelled to the ERA Forum for a further discussion from the perspective of coordination and implementation of the ERA objectives, particularly in implementing the ERA Policy Agenda. 						
2. Actors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - European Commission - Partnership Knowledge Hub: Member States, Associated Countries - European Partnerships respectively the partners (industry, universities, research organisations, bodies with a public service mission at local, regional, national or international level or civil society organisations including foundations and NGOs) 						
3. Timing and milestones	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 15%;">April 2022</td> <td>Publication of the first BMR¹</td> </tr> <tr> <td>June 2022</td> <td>PKH Opinion on the first BMR</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sept 2022</td> <td>ERA Forum discussion on PKH Opinion</td> </tr> </table>	April 2022	Publication of the first BMR ¹	June 2022	PKH Opinion on the first BMR	Sept 2022	ERA Forum discussion on PKH Opinion
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¹ As no Horizon Europe data is yet available, the first BMR and its graphs are largely populated with Horizon 2020 data.

	<p>Sept 2022 First strategic discussion in PKH</p> <p>2023 Feedback on strategic discussions to ERA Forum</p> <p>2024 Second BMR</p> <p>2026 Third BMR</p>
4. Funding	Support for the work of the PKH will be provided through Horizon Europe.
5. Expected impact	<p>The work of the PKH and its links to the ERA Forum aim at</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - establishing a community around partnership related policy issues, where exchange of information and experience becomes routine, to embed ensuring strategic steering and political guidance for partnerships in a coordinated implementation of ERA policy agenda; - strengthening the evidence base on which to build future partnership policy, also by the means of the commitments to the action expressed by MS.
6. Monitoring	Monitoring of the execution of this action will be done through the structures set up for running the PKH.
7. Communication	<p>Dedicated communication actions on partnerships are already taking place. This includes a dedicated website on Europa.eu, but also infographics and visuals.</p> <p>The publication of the first BMR will be accompanied by dedicated communication actions, which are still under discussion, but will include e.g. web-based access to the report and its underlying data.</p> <p>An annual Partnership Forum will also be organised as one of the main communication tools on European Partnerships.</p>
8. Additional information	<p>The work on the drafting of the Biennial Monitoring Report on European Partnerships is being done in close cooperation with a Commission expert group. See https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/6b63295f-d305-11eb-ac72-01aa75ed71a1/language-en/format-PDF/source-215872593 for their first report.</p> <p>The ERA-LEARN consortium will also assist the Commission in its discussions with the Partnership Knowledge Hub, see www.era-learn.eu</p>